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GRAYLING, MICHIGAN, THURSDAY, DECEMBER 31,

O. P. Schumann, Editor and Proprietor.

HAPPY NEW YEAR

At Random

Wishing all a "Happy New Year."

Looks like a year of hard work.

Better to work for Uncle Sam than the Japs.

Hitler's "jowls" now rate front page, according to some newspapers.

Let's have more Hitler howls and fewer jowls.

We wonder if the office of state highway commissioner has lost its attractiveness.

Slippery? Well, you sed' er.

And snow in greater abundance than anyone wants.

Brrr, and the chill certainly isn't hot.

We all talk about the weather but nob'dy does anything about it. 'tuff sed.

Have you taken your turn as airplane spotter?

Nice and warm at the lookout station—inside.

We're doing that job for same reason that our boys are fighting in foreign lands—to save America.

Home Nursing Class

Many homes in Grayling have at least one member in them that has completed the Home Nursing course. This is a great protection to the general health of our community.

Another class, under the instruction of Mrs. Clarice McKay, have completed the course and will receive their certificates. The list includes:

Mrs. Marius Hanson.
Miss Mildred Hanson.
Mrs. Lillian Rauss.
Mrs. Ruby Annis.
Mrs. Gertrude Hatfield.
Mrs. Edris Sorenson.
Mrs. Frances Edwards.
Mrs. Beulah Douglas.
Mrs. Minnie Roberts.
Mrs. Laura McLeod.
Mrs. Dorothy McLeod.

Navy Still Commissions Officers

"Applicants for officer commissions or warrants in the Navy may file for appointments without clearance from their Selective Service Boards," according to Lt. Comdr. D. P. Welles, officer in charge, naval officer procurement, Bock Building, Detroit.

THE NEW YEAR

We are now facing a new year; a new year which is going to demand new courage and sacrifices from all of us. You and I and all of us are going to be called upon to do things that none of us ever thought we would. Yet we are going to do them with the same courage and determination that the pioneers of this great country of ours did from the very birth of this nation.

We who must sit, so it seems to us, idly at home, should remember that we need not be idle. There is work enough and more to keep each and every one of us busy doing our bit, however small that bit may seem to us. We do not mean only the defense jobs, though we know that there is great demand and necessity for skilled workers all over the United States at this time. We are referring instead to that big little thing called MORAL.

Each and every one of us must do our utmost to keep up the spirit of our people; the spirit of 49, the spirit of our pioneer fathers, the spirit of Valley Forge—they must never die.

So let us pledge ourselves, each and every one of us, at the beginning of this new year to resolve "That this great nation under God shall not perish from this Earth." Contributed.

Mrs. G. L. Alexander Died Tues. Morning

HAD BEEN ILL FOR SEVERAL WEEKS.

Mrs. George L. Alexander, 84, died at her home at 2:30 o'clock Wednesday morning after several weeks of illness. For the past year she had been in more or less failing health and for the past several weeks confined to her bed. At the last she lapsed into a coma from which she did not rally. Mrs. Cluff, her faithful nurse was with her in her last hours.

Jennie E. Culver, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Charles D. Culver, was born August 1st, 1887 at Mt. Clemens, Mich. On February 4th, 1888 she was united in marriage to George L. Alexander, and for the next year made their home in Roscommon where the latter began his practice in law.

The following year—1888 they moved to Grayling where Mr. Alexander continued his law practice. For over a quarter century Mr. Alexander was the legal council for the Michigan Central Railroad Co. and other corporations. He was a very influential attorney.

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Mrs. Alexander was a refined cultured and well informed person. She was a charter member of Grayling Good Fellowship club, an organization formed for culture, social activities and charities and took an active part in everything that was done.

She is survived by her son James Frederick, and nephew Donald C. Culver of Saginaw, and had a wide acquaintance throughout the state. She leaves many fine memories among those who knew her best.

Funeral services will be held from the home on Tuesday, January 5th, at 2:00 p.m.

Caroled On Christmas Eve

Some 35 boys and girls sang out the carols of Christmas at St. Mary's church on Christmas Eve preceding the midnight mass, their bright, clear voices made the yuletide spirit rise in the hearts of their listeners. The children who were directed by Mr. Leo Kooper wore short bright red capes and tams and were Sally Lou, Rose and Patsy and Bob Bishaw, Jean Lovely, Gloria, Ethel and Martha Pratt, Helen Jean Milliken, Shirley, Jacqueline and Jack Kolka, Margaret and Dolores LaMotte, Nancy Hoesli, Francine Miller, Jack Jean and Greta Rasmussen, Dona Penny, Sally and Bob Brady, Larry McNamara, Bruce and Terry Nielsen, Bob Jediss, John Kasper, Jack Goss, Janet and Barbara Clough, Patricia Heric, Louise Kasper, Margaret Charon, Betty Underwood and Marjorie Wakeley. The closing number "Silent Night" was sung by the older girls and Jean Lovely and Sally Lou Bishaw.

Midnight Mass followed, Mr. Kooper also directing the choir and taking a solo part, together with Mrs. Richard Lovely, William Heric, Mrs. William Hoffman, and Mrs. Francis Gross, the latter accompanying throughout. Rev. Fr. Francis Branigan had a fine message for his large congregation.

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The Weather

With temperatures somewhat higher than they were last week the thermometer reached its low today for a temperature of 20, the high temperature for the week being 35 Monday. More snow and cold, however is expected next week.

Beginning Saturday, Dec. 12, and every Tuesday and Saturday thereafter until the 10th day of January, I will be at the town hall in Grayling for the purpose of collecting taxes.

Clare Madsen,
Grayling Twp. Treasurer
Dec. 3-4.

High School Honor Roll

Scholarship—B avg. or better. Citizenship—2 avg. or better.

12th Grade.

Alma Bidvia—Citizenship—1.4

Donald Borchers—Citizenship 1.7

Betty Cantwell—Scholarship—4

Robert Clark—Scholarship 4

A's—Citizenship—1.4

Florence Collins—Citizenship 1.5

Barbara Drescher—Citizenship 1.9

Mary Ann Failing—Scholarship 4

Alfred Hanson—Scholarship, 1

A, 2 B's—Citizenship 1.1

Lylas King—Scholarship, 1 A

3 B's, 1 C—Citizenship, 1

Thelma King—Scholarship, 3

A's, 1 B—Citizenship 1.

Robert LaChapelle, Scholarship 4

A's, 4 A's, Citizenship 1.1

Ruth LaMotte, Citizenship 1.5

Lorraine Mae Millikin, Citizenship 1.6

Robert E. Nelson, Scholarship, 2 A's, 2 B's, 1 C

Marguerite Selesky, Citizenship 1.9

Ross Thompson, Scholarship 1

A, 3 B's, Citizenship, 1.7

Wilma Timmer, Citizenship 1.9

Virginia Vonette, Citizenship 1.9

Florence Wolf, Citizenship, 1.9

11th Grade.

Patricia Chappell—Citizenship, 1.7

Billyann Clippert, Citizenship, 1.6

Wilma Feldhauser, Citizenship, 1.9

Helen Gould, Citizenship 1.9

Norma Johnston, Citizenship, 1.9

Doris Krage, Citizenship, 1.9

Shirley McCauley, Citizenship, 1.4

Gloria McDaniel, Citizenship, 1.5

Jane Milnes, Scholarship, 1 A

3 B's, 1 C, Citizenship 1.4

James Small, Citizenship, 1.7

Dorothy Smith, Citizenship, 1.2

Mildred Smith, Citizenship 2

Ernestine Stephan, Citizenship, 1.6

Arlene Vincent, Citizenship 1.6

Alice Wakeley, Citizenship, 1.5

Bessie Wakeley, Citizenship, 1.1

Emma Wilson, Citizenship, 1.1

10th Grade.

Gerald Babcock, Citizenship, 2

Barbara Borchers, Scholarship, 1

A, 3 B's, 1 C

Micky Brady, Scholarship 1 A

3 B's, Citizenship, 2

Howard DeLaMater, Scholarship, 4

A's, 1 B, Citizenship, 1.6

Geraldine Golnick, Citizenship, 1.4

Mary Howell, Citizenship, 1.9

Shirley Murray, Scholarship, 1

1 A, 3 B's

Faith Nolan, Scholarship, 3 A's

1 B, Citizenship, 1.6

Irene Tahvonen, Scholarship, 5

A's, 1 B, Citizenship, 1

Betty Wilson, Citizenship, 1.7

Marcella Wolf, Citizenship, 1.2

9th Grade.

Myra Annis, Citizenship, 1.9

Irene Anthony, Citizenship, 1.7

Patriot Heric, Scholarship, 1

A, 2 B's, 1 C, Citizenship, 1.2

Louise Casper, Citizenship, 1.7

Harry Miller, Scholarship, 1 A

3 B's, Citizenship, 1.9

Richard K. Nelson, Scholarship, 2

A's, 3 B's

Dwight Reava, Scholarship, 1

A, 2 B's, 1 C

Mae Small, Citizenship, 1.5

Ilace Small, Citizenship, 1.4

Beverly Stephan, Citizenship, 2

8th Grade.

Fred Allan, Citizenship, 2

Sally Brady, Citizenship, 1.9

Junior Carlson, Scholarship, 1

A, 2 B's, 1 C

Margaret Charlton, Scholarship, 1.5

A's, 1 B, 1 C, Citizenship, 1.6

Emily Giegling, Scholarship, 2

A's, 1 B, 1 C, Citizenship, 2

Caroline Nelson, Scholarship, 4

A's, Citizenship, 1.4

Phyllis Newell, Scholarship, 1

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THURSDAY, DECEMBER 31,

OGEWAH HILLS
WERE TOUGH.

Returning to Grayling early Sunday afternoon from Saginaw highways were wet but in no sense disturbing until we reached Ogemaw hills north of West Branch. While stopping for lunch at the latter place we were cautioned that those hills were slippery and dangerous. It seemed incredible, however we found the hills covered with slush snow and certainly driving was difficult even at very slow speed.

In Roscommon county the highways were better and when we reached Crawford county we had cleaned off the snow and the highways had been sanded. It was relieving to be able to drive along without having to be watching every turn of the wheels.

On those so called Ogemaw Hills, it didn't look as though there had been any work on those highways that day. Certainly scraping and sanding would have greatly improved them. We hear little complaint about the state highways in Crawford and Roscommon counties but we do hear a lot of complaint about the slippery conditions of the hills north of West Branch.

In view of the fact that the Ogemaw Hills are steep in places and winding, it does seem that the public is entitled to better servicing than they seem to get. When the highway is icy in that region, we can't understand how cars can get over the hills without accident.

Buy War Stamps and Bonds

Are you buying all you can? Uncle Sam is asking you that question today. Check up and see if you have bought your share. This is not a job for a few to do, but everybody to his their share. The government must have money to win this war and we all have to dig in so this country can make its quota. Be sure to buy your Stamps and Bonds from the stores and bank.

Crawford County Retail Committee.

Grange Notes

This year the Grange decided to have a membership drive for funds for their Christmas instead and a neat sum was turned over to the committee, and best of all a nice payment was made on the mortgage. A few more of which will leave the ball free from debt. The committee wants to thank all those who so generously helped.

The new officers all took their chairs at this meeting.

The next meeting will be Saturday, Jan. 2.

STATE OF MICHIGAN

The Probate Court for the County of Crawford.

At a session of said court, held at the Probate Office in the City of Grayling in said county, on the 30th day of December, A. D. 1942.

Present: Hon. Charles E. Moore, Judge of Probate.

In the Matter of the Estate of Jennie E. Alexander, Deceased.

John Bruun, having filed his petition, praying that an instrument filed in said Court be admitted to Probate as the last will and testament of said deceased and that administration of said estate be granted to Wilhelm Haas or some suitable person.

It is Ordered, That said 8th day of February A. D. 1942 at nine A. M., at said Probate Office is hereby appointed for hearing said petition.

If is Further Ordered, That public notice thereof be given by publication of a copy hereof, once each week, for three successive weeks previous to said day of hearing in the Crawford Avalanche, a newspaper printed and circulated in said County.

Charles E. Moore,
Judge of Probate.

12-31-4.

A true copy.

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Judge of Probate.

12-31-4.

Interesting Events In Grayling 23 Years Ago

INTERESTING ITEMS OF NEWS GATHERED FROM THE FILES OF THE AVALANCHE OF 23 YEARS AGO

Jan. 1, 1920.

A. L. Foster came down from Newberry to spend the holidays with his family.

Ross Sparks of Detroit was a guest at the home of Mr. and Mrs. George Smith over Christmas.

Misses Ruby Olson and Lucille McPhee returned Sunday from Bay City after a short stay.

Miss Kathryn Clark went to Bay City Friday to be the guest of Miss Jerrine Lankey until school starts.

Miss Gladys Grant of Bay City is a guest of Miss Lucille Hanson.

Mrs. M. Otterbein is visiting her parental home at Vestaburg during the vacation.

A boy was born to gladden the New Year to Mr. and Mrs. Ben Yoder at 3:00 a. m. this Thursday morning.

Mr. and Mrs. Lorne Douglas of Saginaw were guests of Mrs. Ellen Failing and other relatives over Christmas.

Mrs. George McPeak and little son and Mrs. Erving Hodge and baby returned Sunday from Bay City.

Mr. and Mrs. James Carriveau and children returned Sunday to their home in Jackson after spending a few days at the home of Mrs. Carriveau's parents Mr. and Mrs. John Charlefour.

Emil Giebling returned Sunday a. m. from Manistee after spending Christmas with his parents.

The home of Mr. and Mrs. Peter L. Brown was the scene of a simple wedding Christmas evening, when their oldest daughter, Miss Edna Caroline was united in marriage to Mr. Burt J. Schulz of Saginaw. Rev. C. E. Doty officiated at the ceremony.

Wm. H. Cody has opened a new blacksmith shop in the John Benson garage.

Dr. S. N. Insley is still confined to his home and is in a serious condition. It is reported he is failing very rapidly.

Miss Gladys Everett, accompanied by Mr. Claude Carver of Detroit, spent Christmas visiting her mother, Mrs. Rhoda Everett.

Mr. and Mrs. J. Malenfant and daughter Miss Beatrice of Cheboygan and Irene and Louis Johnston of Bay City were guests at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Robert Reagan over Christmas.

Miss Helen Schumann was injured while coasting on Fischer's hill, Wednesday afternoon, necessitating a couple of stitches in one eye lid.

Mr. and Mrs. R. M. Roblin entertained Mr. and Mrs. Harry L. Randall of Bay City over Christmas. The two ladies are sisters.

Mr. Alfred Hughes and children are spending the holidays with relatives in Bay City and Flint.

Mr. and Mrs. O. Palmer were made happy this morning by the arrival of Mrs. Addie Patterson of Pittsford, Mich. Mrs. Patterson visits the Palmer house every winter.

So the joke goes. It was a perilous journey across the ocean. The Chaplain turned to the rookie and said, "Thank God we made it." We just dropped anchor off Australia, and the rookie cupped his mouth and replied, "I knew I should of told you sir, the dam thing has been hanging out ever since we left San Francisco."

Sincerely,

Sgt. Fairall Gorman,
Hammond Hospital.

Nov. 18, 1942.

Marine Corps Unit 1065,
care of Postmaster.

San Francisco, Calif.

Dear Mr. Schumann:

This is my first chance to write since I left the States, as I was transferred overseas some time ago.

I left San Diego, and the trip across the ocean was swell, except of course, a little crowded, but we didn't mind.

First we landed at a base where we remained for two weeks and then we again boarded ship for our present locality, and we are at the present time setting up our camp.

I cannot write of my present location as you probably know, but we sure have lots of coca-

box. I realize she is calling from Henry's bar. It's the only place they have such a record in town. I say "hello," to be greeted with "Honey, where you been?" I realize the wife's sobbing is only hiccoughs. She's short on beer money. I yell loudly I'm not the object of her affections and before the receiver hits home I get a broadside of Chinese punctuated with a click.

The rest of the numbers prove more serious, and the last order is jotted down the phone rings again and a feminine voice informs me it is 9 o'clock, time to put out barracks lights. I start my tour of duty, here and there in each barracks are small groups of men playing cards. Now I'm stopped, as they plead a few moments of light to complete a heart flush. I press the button to hear throttled curses of those caught unprepared and as I gaze over my shoulder I see the flicker of matches and the silhouettes of men as they magically turn the matches into coin.

Back again and the phone looks at you like a beat puppy, and for the next few hours I lose myself in the experience of a less fortunate soldier. Now and then you are interrupted by a soldier handing in his pass and as the zero hour approaches, the desk is literally covered with them and a gentle reminder on the phone informs you it's 11 o'clock. I check the pass list and find 7 men unaccounted for.

Several minutes pass... I scribble a name, to be aroused by a faltering foot step, the heavy thuds get near, there is a slight shuffle and I pier into the darkness and I see a soldier supporting himself with a cigarette and combing his hair for words.

He has a dead pan look as he fumbles for his pass and balances himself in thin air as he offers a torn package of smokes. He catches a twinkle in your eye, and gives his name and fortifies it with pleasant words of a town in Ohio. There is silence and he looks gloomily in the general direction of the guard house. I take his pass and he is reassured when I tell him goodnight. His step quickens as he disappears into the darkness. I notice his pass is from the 7th for overseas duty soon.

I am relieved by the O. D. and bum a cup of hot coffee from the night orderly.

The night lingers on the sudden calm makes me drowsy. I smoke a cigarette and am reminded its 3 a.m. Western Union calls information and I must look up a Private Woods. He is a new man and one of many that a bunch number has not been assigned. I wander through the new mens barracks and awake every fifth man. They are startled by the red glow of my penlight and some mutter connected with their dreams. Soon I get a clue and Woods is found in the Crawford Avalanche, a newspaper printed and circulated in said County.

Charles E. Moore,
Judge of Probate.

12-24-4.

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Judge of Probate.

12-2

Have You Tried Our

Birds-Eye Frozen Foods

You are missing the finest thing in vegetables if you haven't. They are the finest on the market.

Call or Phone your Order in at once.

BURROWS' One Stop FOOD MARKET

We Deliver - Phone 2291



THURSDAY, DECEMBER 31,

Mrs. Forest D. Barber spent the first of the week visiting in Saginaw.

Mrs. B. J. Callahan and son William spent Saturday and Sunday in Bay City.

Mr. and Mrs. Roy Warner visited with their daughter, Mrs. Clinton Bancroft and family last week.

Mr. and Mrs. Edward Mayotte of Detroit spent the latter part of the week in Grayling visiting friends.

Mrs. Thomas Marion, in charge of the dining room at Zael's is ill with pneumonia at Mercy Hospital.

Miss Grace Markby is spending a couple of weeks visiting her sister Mrs. Harold John at Estill Springs, Tenn.

Miss Beverly Schable of Lansing was a guest of her parents Mr. and Mrs. George Schable from Wednesday to Sunday.

Mrs. H. G. Shaw who has been ill at the home of Mrs. Joseph McLeod the past ten days is able to be up and around again.

Miss Katherine Charron of Saginaw came home to spend Christmas with her parents Mr. and Mrs. Albert Charron.

Mrs. Williard Harwood and children of Saginaw are New Year's guests of her parents Mr. and Mrs. Dolph Sancartier.

Miss Patricia McKenna returned Sunday to Detroit after spending the Christmas holiday with Mr. and Mrs. Clarence Johnson.

Corp. Clarence Galloway of Camp Adair, Corvallis, Ore. spent the holidays here with his parents Mr. and Mrs. Alfred Galloway.

James Miller, Esbern Olson Jr. and Thomas Stancil of Detroit drove up Thursday evening and spent Christmas with their respective families.

We got mixed up on our Santa Clauses. It is "Bill" who was the City Santa Claus this year. Anyway he made a dandy and so did "Bob."

Pvt. Harry Canfield, Camp Walton, Tex. is visiting his parents, Mr. and Mrs. John Canfield. He is recuperating from an operation.

Pvt. Esmond Houghton visited his mother Mrs. Blanche Houghton over Christmas. Esmond is attending the University of Kentucky at Lexington, Ky.

You may be next—get your house insured. Palmer Fire Insurance Agency, The oldest insurance agency in Crawford County, Avalanche Bldg., Phone 3111.

Wishing our
Friends and Patrons
a Bright and Happy
NEW YEAR

A. E.
HENDRICKSON
Tailor

Floyd McClain of Detroit was home over Christmas visiting his family.

Mrs. Ida St. John spent the holiday season in Detroit visiting with her son Rex.

Little Larry Kesseler of Gaylord is visiting his grandparents. He will return home Friday.

Mr. and Mrs. Ed. Cooper visited relatives in Lansing and Saginaw over the holidays.

Mr. and Mrs. Frank Bondi and three children are spending the Christmas holidays at Olivet.

Mrs. Marion Busch of Traverse City was a guest at the home of A. J. Joseph over Christmas.

Mr. and Mrs. Leland Marshall and son Curtis of Bay City visited over Christmas with their parents here.

Mr. and Mrs. Fred Catlin of Toledo were guests of the former's parents, Mr. and Mrs. Paul Ziebell over Christmas.

William Lowe who has been employed in Cheboygan came home for Christmas and to remain until he is called to the army.

Miss Eunice Schreiber, who teaches in Muskegon Heights is visiting her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Hugo Schreiber during the holiday vacation.

Miss Caroline Welch spent Christmas with her parents Mr. and Mrs. Edward Welch and brought home as her guest William Middleton.

Mr. and Mrs. Wesley LaGrow and three children of Detroit returned home with the Arnold Burrows and are their guests for over New Year's.

Miss Margaret Cassidy of Lansing came here to be with her mother Mrs. Thomas Cassidy and sister and brother-in-law, Mr. and Mrs. Roy Trudeon.

Mr. and Mrs. Albert Roberts returned from Ann Arbor Wednesday of last week where the latter had been consulting specialists concerning her health.

Mr. and Mrs. A. L. Roberts left Sunday to spend some time in Saginaw. Their daughter Miss Patricia also returned to Sparrow Hospital, Lansing Sunday.

M. N. Button, heating engineer. Repairs for all makes furnaces, boilers and stoves. Complete repair and cleaning service. Address, Grayling, Star R. 1. t.

Mrs. Marie Jensen, who is a patient at Mercy Hospital, where she is receiving medical treatment is getting along nicely. She was pleased to attend church services at Grayling Lutheran church Thursday afternoon.

The key to the situation is that employers shall have the cash money at hand to change from war manufacture to peace-time activity with the least possible delay when this war ends.

Our United States Senate is searching for a plan that will produce maximum revenue to the government to insure victory; provide a fund at the end of the war big enough and quickly enough to convert business and industry from war work to peacetime necessity, but without the government having to borrow and lend the money for this purpose after the war is over.

Mr. and Mrs. Carl Sorenson are making their home in Lansing where the former is employed in the Nash plant. Their son William, who joined the U. S. Marines the forepart of December is located in San Diego, Calif.

Mr. and Mrs. Waldemar Hanson and sons of Saginaw were Christmas guests of their parents Mr. and Mrs. Edward Welch and Mrs. Marie Hanson. And over Sunday the Holger Hanson family of Saginaw visited Mrs. Marie Hanson.

Mrs. Peter Robertson is spending a couple of weeks in Saginaw visiting her daughter Mrs. Arthur Anderson and family. Mr. and Mrs. Russell Robertson and Clarence Robertson accompanied her spending Christmas with the Andersons.

Barbara Borchers, Nell Welsh, Jane Milnes, Mildred Smith, Patricia Chappell and Billyann Clippert left Monday on a house party at one of the Stephan cabin on the AuSable. It was a gay looking bunch that started out loaded with skis, snow toys and plenty of food. They expect to remain for three days.

The Grayling Lutheran church held their annual Christmas party at Danebod hall Sunday evening and although the weather was very inclement many braved the storm to attend. The Sunday school gave a very nice program; there were gifts and sacks of candy for the kiddies, and as there are almost as many grown-ups attend, as children, the Danish favorite cup of coffee was enjoyed.

Mrs. William LaGrow was hostess to the members of the "Just Us" club at their annual Christmas party. Wednesday evening at her home. There was the Christmas tree from which gifts were exchanged. Table decorations in Christmas greens and reds with lighted tapers made the party a very festive affair. Thursday evening Mrs. Charles Mosher entertained the club and Mrs. Wesley LaGrow of Detroit was an out of town guest.

Mr. and Mrs. Ervin Cady of Athol, Idaho arrived in Grayling on Dec. 23rd for a two weeks visit and to meet their family here for Christmas. Mr. and Mrs. Kenneth Moore of Pontiac, Mr. and Mrs. Lawrence Cady of Ypsilanti, E. J. Cady of Roscommon and Miss Irene Donath of Munising came to Grayling for Christmas, and together with Mr. and Mrs. Cady and Mrs. Marjorie Dohm enjoyed their Christmas dinner at Shoppenhagens Inn.

Mr. and Mrs. Harold Rasmussen became grandparents on Christmas day, when a telegram was received telling of the birth of an 8½ pound son to Mr. and Mrs. James Olivas (Mary Rasmussen) of Los Angeles, Calif. Mrs. Henry Beeson is the happy great grandmother and Lars Rasmussen the great grandfather.

Prepare Now for V-I-C-T-O-R-Y AFTER VICTORY

The problem of changing from war work, after World War I, to peacetime production, plunged us into a long and grim depression.

Rural America felt this depression five years ahead of industry and business. We tried to warn labor and capital but they would not believe the warning and insisted the rainbow and the pot of gold at the end would last forever.

Finally, the bubble broke and the storm came. We had 12 million unemployed, the domestic market for farm production was gone, and even the smaller export market survived only when we loaned Europe the money to buy our products.

Farm income was reduced, mortgages increased and many farmers lost their farms while industry, big and little, was at its wits' end to survive.

To Prevent a Worse Depression.

Our problem is to prevent even a worse depression at the end of this war. Every industry, big and little, has been retooled to produce airplanes, tanks, cannon and weapons of war. Millions and millions of dollars have been spent for this purpose.

When this war is ended it will take the same millions of dollars to turn these industries back to peace-time production.

Lessons of World War I.

We learned after World War I that our country cannot prosper unless agriculture prospers. We know now that our country cannot prosper unless agriculture, business and industry, and labor are all prosperous. Whatever our personal feeling may be, the fact remains that all of these groups taken together make up our domestic market which consumes over 90 per cent of our total production.

Labor can purchase its maximum of farm products if each worker has a permanent job at good wages. The employer can pay good wages if he has something useful to manufacture and some one has the desire and the money to buy it. Jobs at good wages depend upon an employer who is making the money necessary to pay the wages.

Farm Prices Reflect Good Business.

This makes it plain that with employers and business busy in useful undertakings, with all workers employed at good wages, farm prices will be good and consumption at its maximum.

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Here Is a Simple, Practical Plan.

For the solution of all these problems there is one simple plan of outstanding practical value, based on the idea that war profits from all companies, big and little, should be used for this purpose.

The tax on war profits is figured at about 90 per cent. Business and industry, big and little, would be permitted, however, to deduct from their taxable war profits 20 per cent of such profits, provided the deduction is used to purchase United States Recovery bonds.

Recovery bonds would be a special kind of bond for this purpose only. Recovery bonds could not be sold or borrowed upon during the war, and neither would they pay any interest. They must be held by the purchaser until the end of the war.

The day the war is over these bonds would automatically start to bear interest, could be bought and sold, and become the same as any other government bond. The purchaser could sell them or borrow upon them to obtain the money to change his business and plant from war production to peace-time production when and as he needed money to do this job.

Profits for Peace-Time Recovery.

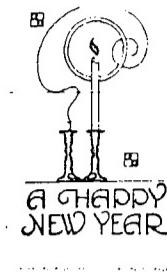
In other words, business, big or little, would be required to contribute 20 per cent of its own war profits to provide the money to change its own plants back to peace-time production.

The fairness and equity of such a plan is perfectly plain. Each company, by using 20 per cent of its own war profits to buy Recovery bonds, builds its own backlog to bridge from war production to normal peace-time activities. Big companies and small companies will buy in proportion to their size and needs until the war is over. In the meantime, our government receives the maximum in revenue to produce for victory, and we, the people, have established security against the worst depression of all time.

With such a plan adopted and in operation, we can all give our maximum to the war effort, secure in the fact that when the war is over we can quickly and safely go back to the paths of peace. The necessity for such a plan is so apparent, the evils of depression so grim and widespread that we, the people, can well afford to take time out to support our senators and congressmen in this effort to bypass another depression.

O TO YOU we extend our heartiest wishes for a Happy and Prosperous New Year.

We assure you of our sincere appreciation of the cordial relations which have existed during the past year, and of our earnest efforts to render a service that will merit a continuance of your friendship and good will throughout the coming year.



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Enemy Watches Newspapers

Frederic News

Axis agents make patterns from patches of information gathered here and there. That is why this paper does not print details as to the location of our home-town boys in service across the seas. Copies of the Avalanche are mailed to many of our service men so they may keep in touch with affairs about town. If identities and locations of units are revealed, enemy intelligence experts can gauge the strength and disposition of our armed forces. Let us keep them in the dark. Their spies carefully scan all newspapers, no matter how remote from combat zones, looking for a tip-off. A simple address giving the name of a ship on which a boy is stationed would reveal its presence in the Atlantic or Pacific.

Employers and business busy in useful undertakings, with all workers employed at good wages, farm prices will be good and consumption at its maximum.

The key to the situation is that employers shall have the cash money at hand to change from war manufacture to peace-time activity with the least possible delay when this war ends.

Our United States Senate is searching for a plan that will produce maximum revenue to the government to insure victory; provide a fund at the end of the war big enough and quickly enough to convert business and industry from war work to peacetime necessity, but without the government having to borrow and lend the money for this purpose after the war is over.

Here Is a Simple, Practical Plan.

For the solution of all these problems there is one simple plan of outstanding practical value, based on the idea that war profits from all companies, big and little, should be used for this purpose.

The tax on war profits is figured at about 90 per cent. Business and industry, big and little, would be permitted, however, to deduct from their taxable war profits 20 per cent of such profits, provided the deduction is used to purchase United States Recovery bonds.

Recovery bonds would be a special kind of bond for this purpose only. Recovery bonds could not be sold or borrowed upon during the war, and neither would they pay any interest. They must be held by the purchaser until the end of the war.

The day the war is over these bonds would automatically start to bear interest, could be bought and sold, and become the same as any other government bond. The purchaser could sell them or borrow upon them to obtain the money to change his business and plant from war production to normal peace-time activities.

Mr. and Mrs. Harold Schwelm of Milwaukee, Wis., and Mr. and Mrs. Maurice Schwelm of Pigeon spent Christmas with their parents, Mr. and Mrs. E. R. Schwelm.

Mr. and Mrs. Chas. Starr and Charles Jr. were dinner guests of Mr. and Mrs. E. R. Schwelm on Christmas.

All the members of the Ladies Aid and their husbands are invited to attend the annual Xmas party at the parsonage next Saturday evening.

Mr. Charles Starr left Sunday for Bay City where he will receive medical treatment.

Mr. and Mrs. Blumenschein and family are moving to Pontiac where Mr. Blumenschein has work in a Defense Plant.

Mr. and Mrs. Alvin Scott left Thursday to spend the holidays with relatives in Detroit.

CARD OF THANKS

We wish to thank our friends for their kind acts and sympathy in our recent bereavement.

Ted Ferguson,

Mr. and Mrs. Alfred Hummel,

Mr. and Mrs. Stanley Hummel.

MICHELSON MEMORIAL CHURCH

Sunday Services

10:30 A.M.—Bible School

11:00 A.M.—Public worship.

Young People's meeting at 6:30.

Join us in these helpful meetings.

Public is invited.

H. W. Kuhlman, Pastor.

SOUTH SIDE BAPTIST SUNDAY SCHOOL

The South Side Baptist Sunday School meets every Sunday morning from 10 to 11 o'clock.

Sermon—11:00 a.m.

Evening Service—7:30 p.m.

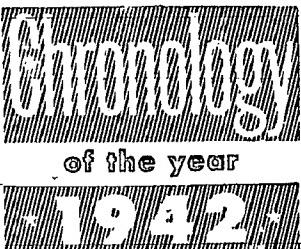
Weekly Meetings—Prayer Service, Friday—7:30 p.m.

Everyone welcome.

Alva Calkins, Pastor.

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The Year Review



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THE WAR

The year began with these important events:

January

- 1-OPM bans retail sale of new cars, trucks.
- 2-Manila and Cavite naval bases fall to Japs.
- 6-In message to Congress, President Roosevelt orders 60,000 planes, 45,000 tanks in victory program.
- 11-Japs invade Netherlands East Indies.
- 26-AEAs lands in North Ireland.

THE WAR

January

- 1-Hitler takes command of retreating Nazi army on Moscow front.
- 2-Danish islands invaded by Japanese. MacArthur's men again burn enemies back on Luzon.
- 19-Japs take Burma port, Taipy.
- 23-Australians sail on S.S. for help.
- 24-Japs at Vicksburg take toll of 33 Jap ships in Macassar strait.
- 26-U.S. AEAs lands in North Ireland.
- 31-Melita fails to pass on Singapore.

February

- 3-Nazis rush air and tank reinforcements to southern Russia battlefront.
- 4-AEAs ships aid to Far East Allies.
- 6-Kin oil town in Borneo captured by Japs.
- 13-Jap fleet escapes from Brest to Kiel.
- 15-ALLIANCE FAILS TO JAPS
- 16-Dutch destroy 100-million-dollar oil fields in Sumatra.
- 19-First V-1 bombing of Darwin, Australia.
- 20-New cabinet for Churchill. Japanese land on Timor Island.
- 21-U.S. Dutch air fleet sink or damage 19 Jap ships.
- 22-British cruisers and Commandos raid France.

March

- 1-Japs unload 50 transports on Java.
- 3-Wave dropped as Allied chieftain.
- 7-Japs invade New Guinea at two sea ports.
- 14-YANKS LAND IN AUSTRALIA.
- 17-MacArthur and aides escape from Philippines, land in Australia.
- 19-Jap invasion fleet racing for Australia.
- 25-U.S. navy rips Makin Island 1,000 miles off Jap coast.
- 27-Chinese smash Burma trap, relieve British garrison.
- 29-British Commandos wreck Nazi-held St. Nazaire port.

April

- 1-Hand-to-hand fighting with Japs on Bataan.
- 4-Nazis admit three U.S. warships sunk by Jap planes.
- 8-Axis desert forces move against British in Libya.
- 9-BRITISH KILLED
- 10-300,000 U.S. SOLDIERS TAKEN PRISONERS.
- 10-British-Indian self-rule parley collapses.
- 11-Jap invasion fleet of France.
- 12-Nazis on German industrial centers roar into fifth day.
- 13-TOKYO BOMBED BY U.S. AIR FORCE
- 22-Commandos raid France at Boulogne, rout Nazis.
- 23-RAF bombs Paris industries.

May

- 1-Hitler, Mussolini meet at Salzburg.
- 6-Japan cuts out.
- 6-British backed by U.S. occupy Madagascar.
- 6-CORREGIDOR FAILS TO THE JAPS
- 7,000 U.S. TROOPS SURGE ON
- 8-U.S. sinks and smashes 13 Jap warships in southwest Pacific.
- 25-Ally plane sinks Axis sub off Brazil.
- 27-Nazis launch terrific Libyan attack.

June

- 2-Nazi city of Essen smashed by 1,000 RAF planes.
- 4-Dutch Harbor, Alaska, bombed twice by Japs.
- 5-Japs attack Midway Island.
- 6-U.S. navy smashes Jap fleet at Midway island.
- 10-British announce 185,500 casualties during first two years of war ending September 2, 1941, including 46,973 killed, 46,935 wounded.
- 12-Japanese land in Aleutians. Kiska harbor taken by U.S. Naval operations given to Admiral King.
- 11-U.S. fixes tire prices.
- 18-House farm bill kills sub-parity bill.
- 21-U.S. takes over strikehold Toledo, Peoria and Western railroad.
- 27-U.S. unifies command to end U-boat menace.
- 30-Price control bill passes; President's 60th birthday.

February

- 4-Congress working on loans to China.
- 5-German spy ring disclosed on West coast.
- 10-House kills so-called "frivolity" in OCD.
- 8-U.S. registers nine million more for draft, 20,444 announced.
- 13-U.S. naval experts halted.
- 21-U.S. naval command of all U.S. naval operations given to Admiral King.
- 22-U.S. fixes tire prices.
- 24-U.S. takes over strikehold Toledo, Peoria and Western railroad.
- 27-U.S. unifies command to end U-boat menace.
- 30-Law limits restrictive legislation in congress.

April

- 1-Senate defeats ban on 40 hour week, closed shop upheld.
- 2-Airplane sales halted.
- 3-Plan to halt production of most durable goods.
- 15-U.S. Navy France break seems near.
- 23-Sugar for restaurants and other food services cut 50 per cent.
- 1-U.S. opens used quiz of suspects.
- 27-Thirteen million sign 45-65 labor quota.

May

- 1-Mens in draft women for war serve temporarily abandoned.
- 2-Dir. of Defense Transportation director of Defense Transportation director of competing train and bus service.
- 4-National sugar registration for ration books begins, first of four days.
- 2-House passes 142-2 increase in pay for \$50 for men already served.
- 3-All war industries continue working 16 hours.
- 4-Confidential committee for candidates for officers' training school of the Women's Army Auxiliary corps: WAACs.
- 21-Japs attempt to retake Solomon Islands positions. Repelled by U.S. marines.
- 22-Fifteen Yugoslav guerrilla planes bomb Axis garrison and Nazi troop columns west of Belgrade.

September

- 2-U.S. pilots down German Focke-Wulf bomber near Iceland, report U.S. military authorities.
- 4-Gen. Sillifield's headquarters in China. The bombs loaded U.S. fighters hit Japs in five different China zones.

- 5-Field Marshal Erwin Rommel's Axis forces begin retreat toward starting point Allies bomb Axis African sectors.
- 9-All 1,600 passengers and crew members saved when U.S. 280-ton naval auxiliary liner Manhattan (formerly luxury liner Manhattan) swept by fire at sea. Wakefield saved and brought to Atlantic port by tug.
- 14-Navy types N-150 bomber reported flying over England on reconnaissance flight at 40,000 feet.
- 16-U.S. 19,000-ton carrier Yorktown reported sunk on June 7 during Battle of Midway. French and British armistice terms offered by British occupying Madagascar.
- 23-Tobruk attacked from sea while British mobile units held Axis African positions 500 miles behind lines.

October

- 3-U.S. army troops, supported by navy, occupy Andean group of the Aleutian Islands, between Jap held Kiska and Alaskan Dutch Harbor.
- 17-U.S. planes arrive in Negro Republic of Liberia.
- 20>Total of 530 Axis submarines announced destroyed by British and U.S. navies and war begun.
- 23-Attack-mine installations in North China bombed by U.S. planes in successful attack.
- 24-British start African campaign to seize Axis.
- 25-First U.S. air raid on Hong Kong destroys Kowloon docks.
- 26-Navy officials announce that aircraft carrier Wasp, sunk on Solomons, was repaired at 15,000 feet after its fighting continues on Guadalcanal with heavy Jap losses.
- 30-Nazi conscription of Belgian labor for work in German factories proposed instead of Belgian exile government in London.

November

- 1-Army troops reinforce marines on Guadalcanal field near Oahu; U.S. air force bombs Japs daily on Aleutian Kiska.
- 7-U.S. TROOPS LAND IN FRENCH INDIA
- 11-CHIEF LIEUT. DWIGHT D. ("IKE") EISENHOWER TO FORESTALL SUCCESSFUL AXIS INVASION WHICH WOULD ENDANGER AMERICA.
- 8-Vichy government breaks relations with U.S. for first time since 1918. Nazis retreat to Libyan border.
- 11-Italy's Italian allies occupied France. Italians also land on Corsica. Under orders from Adm. Jean Francois Darlan French North Africa surrenders to U.S. troops.
- 12-Second naval battle of the Solomons Islands begins.
- 16-U.S. naval authorities announce using naval Jap navy in second naval battle of Solomons. 23 ships sunk. 7 damaged with enemy casualties near the 40,000 mark.
- 18-Marshal Petain appoints Pierre Laval as minister of National Defense.
- 24-Russian offensive smashes across Don. Germans lose 50,000 men in pincer drive.
- 27-Second scuttle fleet at Toulon. 62 ships sent to bottom of harbor to avoid seizure by Hitler.
- 29-Prime Minister Churchill appeals, via radio, to Italian people to overthrow their dictator, sue for peace.

December

- 1-Russian continues to advance in two large-scale offensives; Allied chitlins seize airfield near Tunis.
- 5-GERMANS RAID THE REVENGE
- 6-WILWELD: A ship, floating dredge, sunk or damaged; 247 planes destroyed or disabled; 4,675 casualties.
- 7-Office of War Information reveals new combat zones in Europe.
- 17-Super-powered, troop carrier command announced by Lieut. Gen. Arnold, chief of army air forces.

August

- 1-Local police and FBI agents round up more than 80 Japs, Nazis, and Italians in New York City and Philadelphia.
- 2-Bergeron testifies at sedition trial of William Dudley Pelley, Indianapolis.
- 8-Six of eight Nazi saboteurs executed in the electric chair at Washington, D.C. Two others (who were state's evidence) sentenced to prison.
- 10-Elder Davis, director of the new Office of War Information, names new assistants, says OWI shall try to give American people an accurate picture of nation's war activities.
- 17-Super-powered, troop carrier command announced by Lieut. Gen. Arnold, chief of army air forces.

September

- 2-John McCloy, assistant secretary of war, says 500,000 American fighting men and technicians are now abroad serving command headed by Mrs. Nancy Harkness Love, announced by war department.
- 13-Senator Hartley, Director Maj. Gen. Hershey says married men with children face draft in '43.
- 21-WPB Chairman Donald Nelson forecasts great civilian economy to win war.

October

- 1-President Roosevelt ends two-week secret circle trip of nation.

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